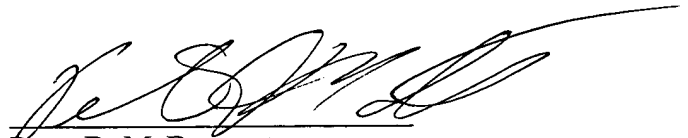


Applicants respectfully traverse the restriction requirement on the ground that the subject matter two claim groups are susceptible of searching and examination in common. Nevertheless, in order to be responsive to the Office Action, applicant elects to prosecute Group I (Claims 1-19 and 23-28).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter D. McDermott', written over a horizontal line.

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